(b) if so, what is the reaction of the Central Government in this regard;

(c) by when the slum board is likely to be established; and

(d) to what extent the slum board is likely to meet the critical problem of slums in the capital?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) to (d) The question of setting up a separate Slum Clearance/Improvement Board is under consideration as a part of the re-organisation/restructuring of the DDA.

Fall in supply of milk by DMS and Mother Dairy

822. SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL:
SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the people of Delhi are facing acute shortage of milk;

(b) whether the DMS and Mother Dairy are not providing adequate quantum of milk; and

(c) the steps being contemplated by Government to provide sufficient quantum of milk to the citizens of Delhi.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) Complaints have been received regarding shortage of milk in Delhi.

(b) During April to July, 1987 on an average, the combined level of supply of milk by Delhi Milk Scheme and Mother Dairy has been more or less same than what they supplied during the corresponding period of last year, DMS, however, could not maintain normal supply for a few days during July, 1987 on account of electrical problems like low voltage, etc. Due to reduction in supply of fresh milk from the cooperative dairy federations of neighbouring States, the Mother Dairy suspended the supply of full cream milk from 16.7.87 but has stepped up the supply of tonned milk.

(c) It has been urged upon the Cooperative Dairy Federations of the neighbouring States to step up the supply of fresh milk to Mother Dairy and DMS. DMS and Mother Dairy have been advised to make efforts to increase daily supply of milk.

Strike by CPWD JR Engineers

823. SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Junior Engineers of the CPWD throughout the country are again on strike from 14th July, 1987 despite the fact that Essential Services Maintenance Act is in force;

(b) if so, what are the demands of the Junior Engineers and whether Government have thoroughly examined their demands; and

(c) if so, whether Government propose to find out an amicable solution to avoid recurrence of strikes by Junior Engineer?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) Junior Engineers of CPWD are on strike from 14.7.87. They had not gone on strike earlier.

(b) and (c) The demands of Junior Engineers are given in the Statement-I. (*See* below). Govt. have taken all possible steps to settle the demands of J.Es of CPWD amicably. The details of decisions taken by the Govt. on the main demands of J.Es Association are given in the Statement-II.